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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR § 41.31

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner in the Office Action dated October 18, 2007, rejecting claims 1-12 and 14-36.

Applicant submits that no notice of appeal fee is due for the filing of the Notice of Appeal and the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review. The Office Action noted that the previously paid notice of appeal fee can be applied to the new appeal. See Office Action, Detailed Action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 19-2555 any additional charges or fees as applicable for the payment of the filing of the Notice of Appeal and the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review.

The Commissioner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned should it be beneficial for advancing prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully Submitted,
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